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SUBJECT: FURTHER REACTION TO KIM YONG-SAM PEACE CONFERENCE PROPOSAL

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1. ROK PRESS JUNE 11 RAN FOLLOWING FRONT-PAGE STORY UNDER HEADLINE "US DENIES SUPPORT FOR SIX-PARTY CONFAB." BEGIN QUOTE: US STATE DEPARTMENT DESCRIBED AS COMPLETE SPECULATION THE NEWS DISPATCH FROM WASHINGTON THAT THE DEPARTMENT SUPPORTED THE PROPOSAL FOR A NORTHEAST ASIA PEACE CONFERENCE.....AMONG THE FOUR MAJOR POWERS PLUS SOUTH AND NORTH KOREA, IT WAS LEARNED YESTERDAY AT MOFA, WHICH QUOTED A REPORT FROM THE KOREAN EMBASSY THE US. THE REPORT REACHING THE MINISTRY YESTERDAY ALSO SAYS THAT THE DEPARTMENT HAS NEVER MADE ANY OFFICIAL COMMENT ON THE CONFERENCE PROPOSED BY KIM YONG-SAM, LEADER OF OPPOSITION NDP. END QUOTE.

2. THIS REPORT, APPARENTLY BASED ON CORRECTED VERSION OF EXCHANGE BETWEEN ORIENT PRESSMAN AND EA/P (REF A), ACCOMPANIED ACCOUNT OF KIM TONG-CHO JUNE 10 NEWS CONFERENCE, IN WHICH FONMIN CALLED FOUR-POWER PEACE GUARANTEE, "A DECEITFUL, TEMPORARY EXPEDIENT" WHICH CONTRIBUTES NOTHING GIVEN ATTITUDE OF PYONGYANG AND PEKING. KIM SAID THAT MOST SUCH GUARANTEES BY BIG POWERS HAVE BEEN REDUCED TO WASTEPAPER, AS IS SEEN "IN PREVIOUS HISTORICAL CASES". HE ADDED THAT

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THE IDEA COULD BE DISCUSSED BY SCHOLARS AS A MAKESHIFT

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